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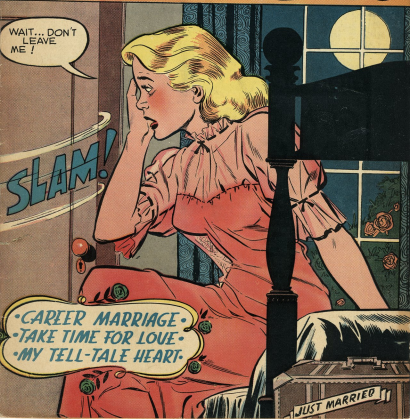
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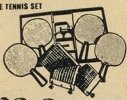
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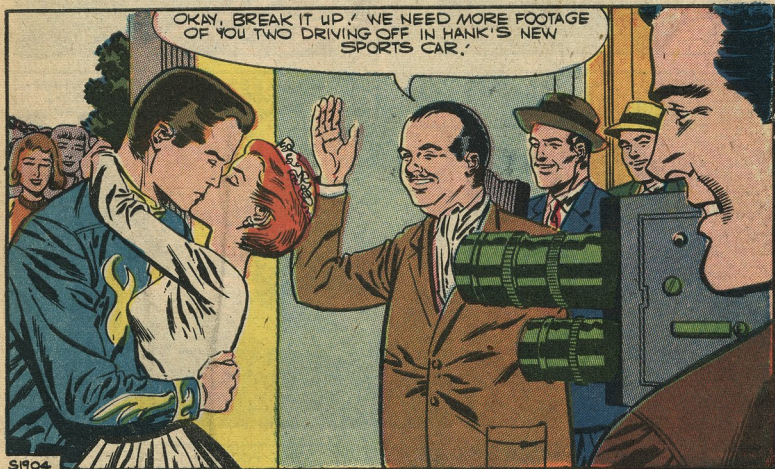
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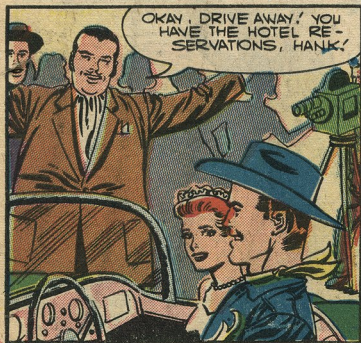
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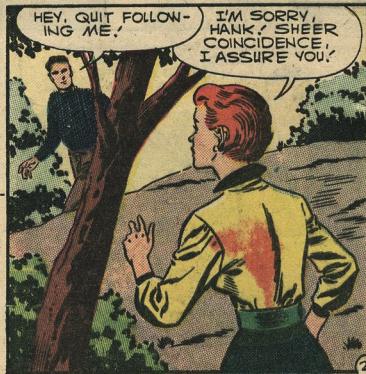
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THE RESORT WE HAD RESERVATIONS AT WAS PERFECT: A MOUNTAIN LODGE FACING A CRYSTAL CLEAR LAKE...



IT WAS A STIFF CLIMB... BUT THE VIEW WAS WORTH IT! THEN, I DISCOVERED SOMEONE WAS THERE BEFORE ME...



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I WAS BEGINNING TO LIKE HIM -- THEN HE HAD TO GRAB ME AND KISS ME AGAIN! I WAS TOO ASTONISHED TO MOVE FOR A MOMENT...



HANK TURNED AND LEFT IN A HURRY! AND I STOOD THERE, RELIVING THAT KISS, TRYING TO QUIET MY RACING HEART...



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EVEN THOUGH I NEVER WANTED TO SEE HANK AGAIN, I DRESSED CAREFULLY FOR DINNER. / IT WAS FOR MY PUBLIC, I TOLD MYSELF...

ANNE, ARE YOU READY?

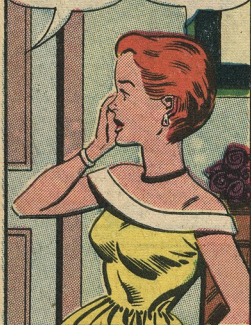
ONE MOMENT, ROMEO.

REMEMBER, BUSTER, ONE MORE WRONG MOVE, AND I CALL IN THE REPORTERS! / STICK TO YOUR AGREEMENT.

I'LL BE A GOOD LITTLE CROONER FROM NOW ON.

HOW DID YOU GET TO BE A CROONER ANYWAY?

I STUDIED VOICE-- AND CAUGHT A COLD JUST BEFORE AN AUDITION! / I SOUNDED TERRIBLE BUT THE SPONSOR LIKED IT AND I'VE BEEN SINGING THAT WAY EVER SINCE!



I'VE WRITTEN SOME SERIOUS MUSIC--HAD IT PUBLISHED TOO! / I'M WORKING ON A LIGHT OPERA NOW.

YOU'RE A REAL PERSON UNDERNEATH, HANK! / THAT'S NOT FAIR.



WHAT'S NOT FAIR?

I WANT TO GO ON HATING YOU AND I FIND THAT I CAN'T. / YOU'RE NOT A BAD GUY AFTER ALL.

WAIT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU...

DON'T OVERDO IT, DARLING.

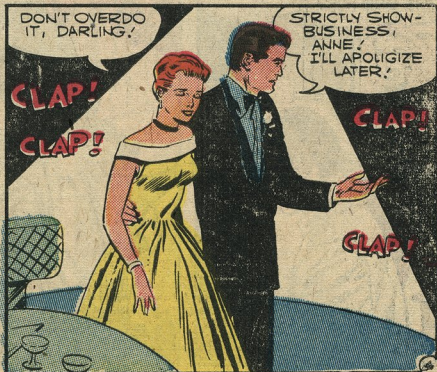
STRICTLY SHOW-BUSINESS, ANNE. / I'LL APOLOGIZE LATER.

CLAP!

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I ENJOYED OUR DINNER! LATER, WHEN HANK SUGGESTED A WALK, I AGREED...

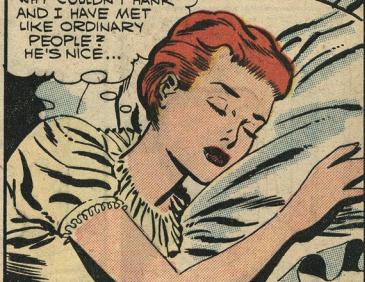


WE CAN KEEP EACH OTHER COMPANY SOMETIMES ANYHOW, ANNE. NOW THAT I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE REALLY LIKE, I LIKE THE IDEA!

AGREED. NOW, LET'S GO IN BEFORE THAT MOON MAKES ME FRIVOLOUS!

YES, OUR WEDDING WAS STRICTLY FOR HEADLINES... BUT AS I BEDDED DOWN IN MY ROOM I WONDERED...

WHY COULDN'T HANK AND I HAVE MET LIKE ORDINARY PEOPLE? HE'S NICE...



HANK WORKED HARD AND I LEARNED THAT HENRY REDOVICH, HIS REAL NAME, WAS A HIGHLY RESPECTED COMPOSER...

WHEN YOU HAVE TIME, MAESTRO, LISTEN TO HOW I READ THE LINE NOW!

I'VE BEEN LISTENING, AND YOU'RE STILL OVER-ACTING, ANNE!



IS THAT SO? WELL, LET ME TELL... WHAT'S THAT?

A TAPE RECORDER! I'LL LET YOU HEAR WHAT I MEAN! LISTEN!



I LISTENED... AND I BEGAN TO REALIZE THAT I HAD NO REAL TALENT--GOOD LOOKS AND TERRIFIC PUBLICITY HAD TAKEN ME THAT FAR...

OH, HANK, I'M TERRIBLE! WHAT WILL I DO?

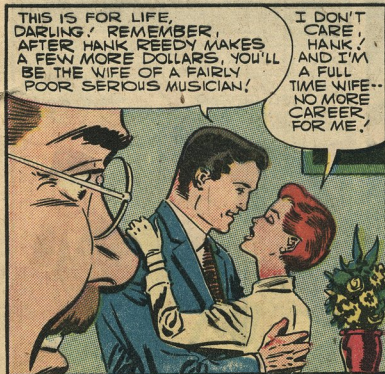
WHOA, HONEY! TURN OFF THE TEARS! YOU'RE WONDERFUL THE WAY YOU ARE! JUST KEEP ON BEING THE FINE, LOVELY PERSON YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN!



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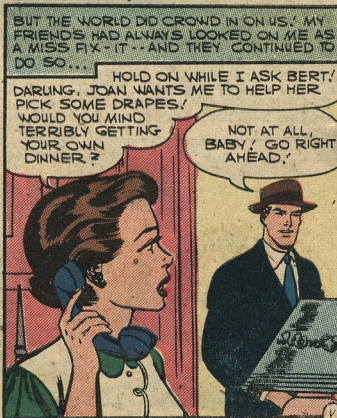


HE DID... AND AN HOUR LATER, WE LISTENED TO THE WONDERFUL WORDS THAT MADE US MAN AND WIFE!



Take Time for Love

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OUR TWO MONTHS OF MARRIED LIFE I BEGAN TO WONDER ABOUT OUR LIFE TOGETHER WHEN I SAW BERT WITH LISA, OUR NEW AND GLAMOROUS MAID...



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BERT WAS SO SWEET THAT I DIDN'T FEEL THE NEED TO REFUSE ANYONE WHO ASKED MY HELP...

HONEY, DINNER'S ON THE STOVE. BE A DOLL AND GET IT YOURSELF. JANE'S ASKED ME TO HELP HER SHOP FOR A DRESS! BACK ABOUT TEN!

OH, SURE, JANE NEEDS YOUR HELP! I'LL TAKE CARE OF MYSELF!

SOMETIMES I COULDN'T WAIT TILL BERT GOT HOME...

AGAIN? SEEMS LIKE EVERYBODY NEEDS MARY'S HELP MORE THAN I DO!

*I'll be back late!
Don't wait up--
this crowd of
mercy might take
long!*
Love you

OH, NO! I THOUGHT WE'D HAVE A QUIET NIGHT TONIGHT!

DON'T BE SUCH A SOURPUSS, DARLING! IT'S ONLY BECAUSE PEOPLE LOVE US THAT THEY BOTHER US!

RING!

JACK AND EVEYLN, HOW NICE OF YOU TO DROP BY. COME IN!

WE CAN ONLY STAY A MOMENT, BERT. BE A DOLL AND LET US BORROW MARY FOR A FEW HOURS TO HELP US FURNISH THE BABY'S ROOM!

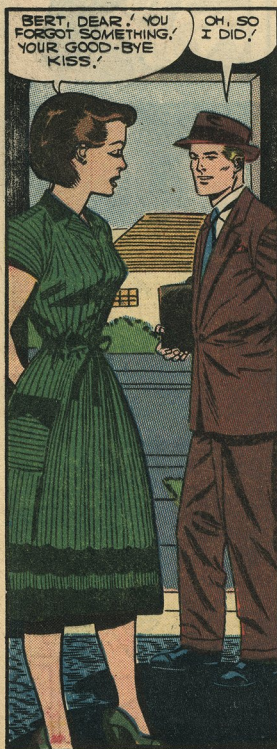
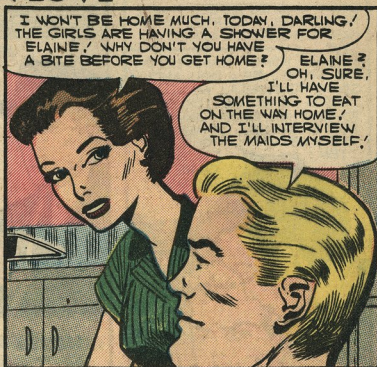
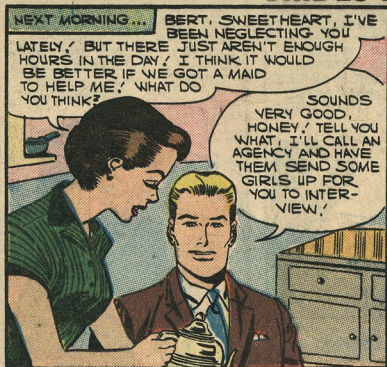
YOU DON'T MIND, DO YOU, DARLING?

OH, NO! RUN ALONG AND GET THEIR BABY'S ROOM STRAIGHTENED OUT. WE HAVE ALL OUR FURNITURE!

FOR THE FIRST TIME, SOMETHING ABOUT BERT SEEMED ODD...

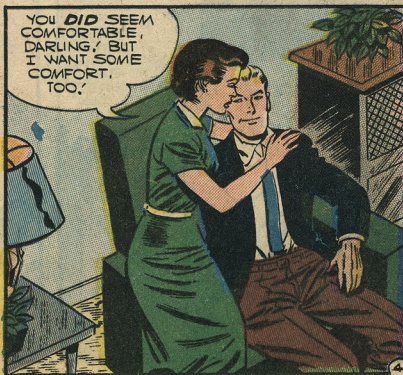
POOR DEAR! I'VE BEEN NEGLECTING HIM. I'LL FIX THAT TOMORROW!

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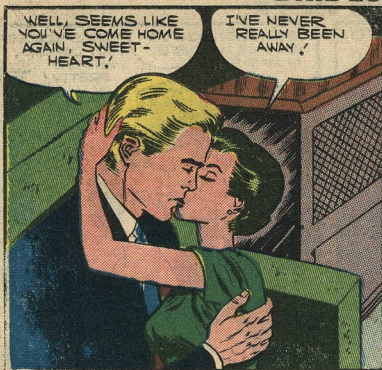


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WHEN LISA REPORTED FOR WORK, I WASN'T HERE I LIKED THE IDEA...



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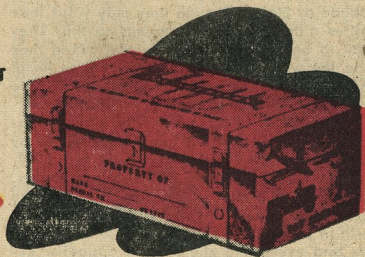
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"Of course a husband and a wife will have differences. He may have gone out with a group of friends whom I no longer consider right for him. Though it may be difficult, he must see that new situations produce new friends. I can pick the correct company for him."

"In the matter of clothing, I want him to be conservative. I just detest the so-called flashy dresser. My father and mother made a lot of sacrifices for me. Hence it is reasonable that the man I marry give my parents all the respect and consideration due to them."

There are a lot of girls who have the same attitude as Elaine. Though they may word their desires differently it all amounts to this: They want to be the boss in the family. When they snap the whip, they expect the male to jump. Hence you get a good description of this type of female with just one word: WHIPSNAPPER.

I think all of us have been the patient husband and father to whom has been attached by his friends and relatives the simple tag: HEN-PECKED. He really isn't a HE-MAN any longer. Just a shell of a man who has decided that the best way to live out the rest of his days on this earth in piece is to say YES, YES, to his wife in any and everything she says or suggests. Regardless of whether or not he agrees.

"We are going to have blue curtains in the living room instead of green," says the WHIPSNAPPER.

"Yes, dearie," replies her husband.

"I don't think we are going to see the McPhersons any more. I don't like the remarks that Mrs. McPherson made last week. Neither do I

consider Mr. McPherson good company for you."

"Yes, dearie," replies her husband.

"My sister Jeanne is going to spend the month of August with us. She is going to send Peter to camp but will bring Tommy. I expect you to take Tommy out and show him a good time."

"Yes, dearie," replies her husband.

Definitely something is wrong in a relationship when the wife becomes the complete boss, and the other way around is still wrong. Definitely something is wrong in a relationship when the husband becomes the complete boss. There was a time years ago, when woman was considered the inferior half of a marriage. Under the law, her husband had definite rights. In today's world we regard the members of both sexes as equals.

In the sound marriage, each partner regards the other as an equal. Now that must be understood in its correct sense. If the husband happened to be a famous pitcher on a baseball team, you can logically say he can't regard his wife equal to him in that ability. And if the wife happened to be a leading tennis star, while her husband never played the game, you can't logically work out equality here. What is meant by equality is something in a MORAL SENSE: Each respects the dignity of the other. As human beings we have rights and obligations. We are not inanimate objects made of clay. The best way is to say each of us has a soul and in respect to the rights and obligations, each is an equal partner in marriage.

Often you will hear a young bride complain as follows: "Oh, John was so considerate when we went together. He did anything I suggested. You know, my slightest wish was almost law to him. Now we have been married for about three years. I just can't figure out what is wrong with him."

Actually not a thing may be wrong with John. What a girl has to see is that the courtship period preceding marriage is entirely different than marriage itself. The purpose of courtship

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is to bring two people together. Some people say that in this period you walk in a daze and on a cloud. You see the world through rose colored glasses. Then comes marriage itself with its many responsibilities. Some people say that in this period you land with your two feet solidly on earth and lose that pair of eye-glasses. Things appear differently.

Of course things appear differently because they are not the same. Now the young man has the responsibility of earning a living and helping to bring up a family. The young woman has the responsibility of taking care of the house. That can be a very important and energy consuming task. Takes in everything from shopping at the corner grocery to washing the shirts; from cooking the meals to cleaning the house; and from stretching the budget dollar to being nice when overtired. And just to make things a bit more difficult, the young woman may even have to go out working to add to the family income.

The most important factor to be remembered is this: The situations that arise when you are married are for the most part entirely different than those that took place when the two of you were just keeping company. A lot of decisions have to be made that will definitely affect the well being of the two in many ways. How those decisions are to be made and by WHOM is the key factor to the continued happiness of the marriage.

When Madeline and Jack were keeping company, he would make a lot of suggestions about what they would do when going out. "We'll see the western picture at the Rialto," he would say one evening. "Rather see the musical comedy at the Luxton," she would counter. So they saw the musical. Perhaps Madeline got the idea she was the "boss." She snapped the whip, and Jack would jump. Then when they were married, what happened? Poor Madeline was terribly upset.

"In some things he gives me my way, in others he insists I listen to him. Some we discuss and compromise. Why can't he let me do all the deciding?"

Jack didn't care how Madeline fixed up the kitchen so long as she kept within the money they agreed should be spent. When it came to purchasing a car he insisted she listen to him. "The car you want will be a gas and oil eater and come high in repair bills," he told her. Madeline loved the upholstery. They got what Jack wanted. When it came to the question of planning their first vacation they compromised. It wasn't a dude ranch or the mountains. They went to a place at the seashore. Madeline wanted her younger brother Joe to live with them because he was attending a college in the neighborhood, but Jack wouldn't budge an inch. "We have a right to live our lives by our-

selves. You will have friction and interference with Joe here. So let him make the longer trip from home."

Jack won even though Madeline shed a couple of quarts of tears that had absolutely no effect whatsoever upon her husband. She even thought of calling him cruel and cold-blooded but fortunately never permitted those words to get past her lips.

Yet in the marriage of Jack and Madeline we do have the key to a happy and successful marriage. Point one: When a moral issue is presented then there can not be a compromise. You must see you can't compromise between what is good and bad. Whoever it is that is standing for the following of the moral point, be it husband or wife, that point must be maintained. And in a marriage there are many problems which arise that do present moral issues and they must be squarely met.

Point two: There are many things that arise which have no moral point and either the husband or the wife may be totally indifferent as to what is done. They may concern a matter of taste. He wants to wear a brown necktie with a blue shirt. So what? He likes it. She may not. Why create a fight over it? Or she wants to make a cake with three layers instead of four. And fill one with chocolate and the other with cream and the third with fudge. She is going to give it to the bazaar at the community center. Why fight over it? Why make it a matter of life and death.

I consider Point Two very important for a girl to understand. Little unimportant issues which have no moral significance can be turned into heated fights in which tempers giving vent and bitterness take place.

Neither the wife nor the husband should ever use a public place to have a quarrel. It's terrible when friends or relatives are present for such a thing to happen. The wife may shout, "Why don't you listen to me!" And the husband retorts, "How foolish can you be?" Neither husband nor wife should ever try to show in public that one bosses the other.

Now for Point Three: It is a sound democratic principle for husband and wife to talk over things —at home — calmly. You just can't think clearly when you get all excited. And often the tongue is liable to say a lot of things which will later be regretted.

The touch of Romance need never be lost in married life. Both can be very happy if they will use a little common sense and reflection when handling the problems which arise. Never should a man have the tag attached to him which reads: HENPECKED. And never should a girl have the tag attached to her which reads: WHIPSNAPPER.

— THE END —

A mended heart

FOR A MOMENT WHEN I FELT LINK'S ARMS AROUND ME, I FORGOT BOB, AND AS I THRILLED TO HIS KISS, I ALMOST EMERGED FROM MY SHROUD OF SORROW... AND THEN I REMEMBERED AND ALL THE BITTER TEARS I'D SHED DROWNED ANY FEELINGS I MIGHT HAVE HAD FOR LINK BORDEN.

BOB IS GONE, ELSA! HE WAS MY FRIEND TOO BUT WE'RE LIVING -- YOU CAN'T LIVE IN THE PAST! I LOVE YOU, DARLING!

AND I... NO, LINK! STOP! THIS IS WRONG, ALL WRONG!



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BOB AND I HAD PLANNED OUR APARTMENT BEFORE HE LEFT FOR KOREA! I HAD IT COMPLETELY FURNISHED WHEN A TELEGRAM CAME...

THIS IS ODD! A TELEGRAM FROM BOB'S FATHER! LET'S SEE...



BOB IS DEAD! HE DIED IN KOREA! IT'S NOT TRUE! IT CAN'T BE!



BRIDES IN LOVE

THE TELEGRAM WAS CONFIRMED! BOB'S MOTHER CAME TO ME BUT I REFUSED TO SEE ANYONE...



THEN THE TEARS DRIED, AND I FACED THE WORLD AGAIN, BUT MY HEART WAS GONE! THERE WAS ONLY AN ACHING EMPINESS THERE...



THE APARTMENT! THAT'S RIGHT! I NEVER DID HANG THOSE DRAPES, DID I? THAT'S WHEN THE TELEGRAM CAME...



I WAS IN THERE AGAIN--AND I HEARD A BRISK STEP, TURNED, AND SAW...



BRIDES IN LOVE

I'D BEEN THINKING OF BOB SO MUCH THERE... WHEN I SAW THE MAN IN UNIFORM, I'D THOUGHT OF BOB. BUT IT WAS A MISTAKE! A HORRIBLE, GHASTLY MISTAKE...

HEY, THAT WAS QUITE A WELCOME! YOU ARE BOB'S GIRL, ELSA!

I... I WAS! GO AWAY! GET OUT! GET OUT!



WHOA, ELSA! I WAS BOB'S FRIEND TOO! YOU SHOULDN'T FEEL LIKE THIS!

DON'T TELL ME HOW TO FEEL! JUST LET ME ALONE!



BOB AND I SELECTED THIS APARTMENT! WE FURNISHED PART OF IT BEFORE HE LEFT! NO ONE ELSE BELONGS HERE!



I KNOW YOU LOVED HIM, ELSA! BUT YOU CAN'T DESTROY YOURSELF LIKE THIS! YOU'RE YOUNG! YOU CAN...

I WON'T FIND ANY-ONE ELSE! THAT'S WHAT MOTHER SAID TOO! I WON'T!

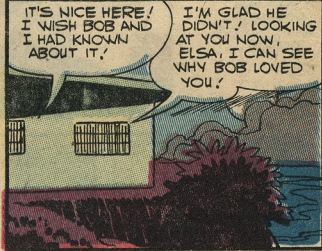


LINK WAS SWEET! HE LET ME CRY, THEN HE SUGGESTED DINNER! I COULDN'T REFUSE... AND IT GAVE ME A CHANCE TO TALK ABOUT BOB...



IT'S NICE HERE! I WISH BOB AND I HAD KNOWN ABOUT IT!

I'M GLAD HE DIDN'T! LOOKING AT YOU NOW, ELSA, I CAN SEE WHY BOB LOVED YOU!



YOU... YOU CAN? WHY, LINK?

BECAUSE YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL, ELSA!



BRIDES IN LOVE

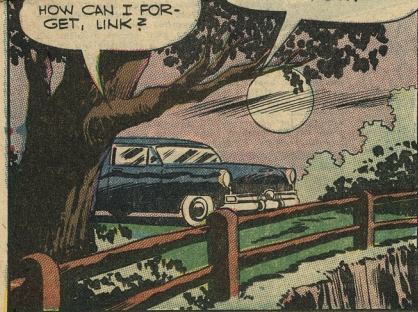
I KNEW LINK WAS GOING TO KISS ME, AND I WANTED HIM TO! WHEN OUR LIPS MET, I WAS REBORN...



...UNTIL I REALIZED I'D FORGOTTEN BOB FOR THAT MOMENT...



DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND, ELSA? BOB WANTED YOU TO BE HAPPY! WHEREVER HE IS, WE HAVE HIS BLESSINGS NOW!



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I WAS BEGINNING TO LOVE LINK THEN. I RETURNED HIS KISS AND THEN WE TALKED! WE TALKED FOR HOURS BEFORE HE TOOK ME HOME...



I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW, DARLING! GOOD NIGHT!

GOOD NIGHT, LINK!



OH, MOTHER, LINK IS WONDERFUL! I'LL NEVER FORGET TO STOP LOVING BOB BUT I LOVE LINK TOO!

I THOUGHT YOU WOULD WHEN I... NEVER MIND!



WHEN YOU WHAT? WHAT DID YOU DO? TELL ME, MOTHER!

I... IT'S ALL RIGHT NOW! I SENT FOR LINK! BOB ONCE TOLD ME TO GET IN TOUCH WITH LINK IF YOU NEEDED HELP! HE WAS RIGHT!



SUDDENLY, MY HEART WAS LIKE STONE AGAIN! LINK DIDN'T REALLY LOVE ME, HE WAS DOING THIS AS A FAVOR TO BOB...

HOW COULD HE? I'M LEAVING! I'LL BE SAFE FROM EVERYONE THERE IN THE APARTMENT! SAFE WITH BOB!



I LET MYSELF INTO THE APARTMENT! I SAT ALONE IN THE DARK--WEEPING...



BRIDES IN LOVE

MORNING
CAME
AND
PASSED...
SOME-
ONE
KNOCKED
THAT
AFTER-
NOON--
MY
MOTHER,
I
KNEW--
BUT
I
IGNORED
IT...

I WON'T LEAVE HERE FOR ANY-
ONE! I'LL NEVER LEAVE
YOU AGAIN, BOB!



HOURS PASSED! THEN ...

ELSA! OPEN THIS
DOOR! OPEN IT
OR I'LL BREAK
IT IN!

GO AWAY,
LINK! I
DON'T WANT
ANY MORE
FAVORS FROM
YOU!



THERE WAS A CRASH AND THE DOOR BULGED
INWARD! THEN ANOTHER AND...

GET OUT
OF OUR
APARTMENT!

YOU'RE HERE ALONE,
ELSA-- BUT I WON'T
LET YOU STAY HERE!



PUT ME DOWN!
PUT ME DOWN
RIGHT NOW!

I WILL WHEN
I'M READY!



NOW, DO I CARRY YOU TO THE MINISTER OR
WILL YOU WALK? I LOVE YOU, DARLING,
WILL YOU MARRY
ME?

YES,
DARLING!
OH, YES!



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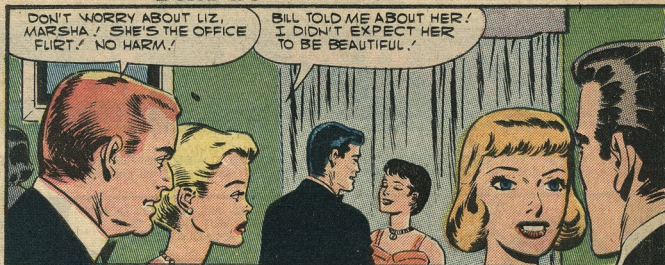
My Tell-Tale Heart

I WAS THE HAPPIEST GIRL IN THE WORLD WHEN BILL AND I WERE MARRIED! I DIDN'T KNOW THEN THAT A HAPPY BRIDE COULD BECOME A MISERABLE WIFE IF SHE DIDN'T GROW UP IN A HURRY...



BRIDES IN LOVE

LIZ ADAMS WAS A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN! I FELT MY FIRST PANG OF WIFELY JEALOUSY THEN...



THE PARTY WAS A SUCCESS... AND IT WAS LESS FUN TO BE A WIFE WITH A MESSY HOUSE THE NEXT MORNING...

WELL, I'VE GOT TO GO! WHAT'S WRONG, MARSHA?

SURE, RUN AWAY-- LEAVE THE WORK FOR ME! GO MAKE EYES AT YOUR GIRL FRIEND, LIZ, AGAIN!



I'M JUST NOT UP TO CLEANING TODAY! I'LL GO TO MOTHER'S AND CLEAN THIS IN THE AFTERNOON!



I FORGOT MY TROUBLES FOR A WHILE... AND I GOT HOME JUST BEFORE BILL! HIS FACE FELL A YARD WHEN HE SAW THE MESS...

MARSH, THE MESS IS STILL HERE! HOW CAN WE EAT DINNER?

WE'LL GO OUT AND EAT! I'LL CLEAN TO-MORROW!



BILL DIDN'T ARGUE! HE ROLLED UP HIS SLEEVES AND WENT TO WORK...

YOU ALWAYS TOOK ME OUT BEFORE WE WERE MARRIED!

YES, BUT I BOUGHT A HOME SO WE DON'T HAVE TO ANY MORE! GET A CAN OPENER AND GET BUSY!



WE ATE IN A HOSTILE SILENCE! I WASH-ED THE DISHES AND WENT TO BED, FIGHT-ING BACK THE TEARS...



I'M SORRY, MARSHA! BUT I LOOKED FORWARD TO SEEING YOU! ALL DAY!

OH, BILL, I WON'T BE LIKE THAT AGAIN, I PROMISE!



BRIDES IN LOVE

WE MADE UP... BUT BILL HAD SEVERAL HABITS I BEGAN TO NOTICE THAT DROVE ME MAD...

WHY COULDN'T HE PUT THESE PAPERS AWAY? HE LEAVES DIRTY SOCKS ALL OVER THE PLACE TOO! I'LL TELL HIM ABOUT IT TO-NIGHT!



I HAD A NICE LIST OF GRIEVANCES READY WHEN HE GOT HOME! I DIDN'T CARE IF HE'D HAD A HARD DAY AT THE OFFICE...

...AND ANOTHER THING, THOSE PAPERS YOU LEFT IN A MESS!

I KNOW, MARSHA, YOU CRAMMED THEM ALL IN A DRAWER! YOU RUINED A WEEK'S WORK!



WELL, THAT'S YOUR FAULT, NOT MINE!

LOOK, KITTEN, I APOLOGIZED LAST NIGHT! I'M NOT GOING TO SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE APOLOGIZING TO A FEATHER-BRAINED WIFE!



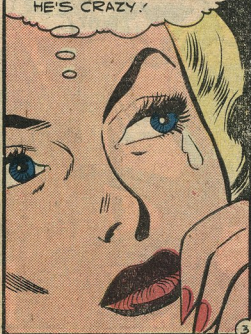
(SOB, SOB) HOW CAN HE BE SO CRUEL!

HE IGNORED ME COMPLETELY! IF ONLY HE'D COME TO ME AND SAID SOMETHING... BUT HE DIDN'T...

TURN OUT THE LIGHTS WHEN YOU TURN IN, MARSHA!



IF HE THINKS I'M GOING TO ADMIT I'M WRONG, HE'S CRAZY!



BRIDES IN LOVE

BUT I APOLOGIZED THREE DAYS LATER! BILL WAS HAPPIER THAN I'D EVER SEEN HIM WHEN WE MADE UP...



I WAS MISERABLE, DARLING! LET'S NOT EVER QUARREL AGAIN!



AGREED! AND NOW I CAN TELL YOU ABOUT MY PROMOTION AND THE OFFICE PARTY TOMORROW NIGHT!

BUY YOURSELF A NEW OUTFIT-- YOU'LL KNOCK 'EM DEAD!



NO, I HAVE PLENTY OF CLOTHES! AND I DON'T CARE IF THEY LIKE ME-- I DRESS TO PLEASE YOU, DARLING!

I LOOKED MY BEST THAT NIGHT! THE AFFAIR WAS HELD IN THE NICEST HOTEL IN TOWN...

LOOK, EVERYONE, OUR HANDSOME NEW SALES MANAGER IS HERE! HELLO, MARSHA!



TURN HIM LOOSE, CHILD! I WANT TO TALK BUSINESS!



TALK BUSINESS IN THE OFFICE! AND STAY AWAY FROM US TONIGHT!

MY SHRILL WARNING CAME JUST WHEN EVERYONE WAS QUIET! BILL GLARED AT ME AND I KNEW I'D DONE IT AGAIN...



I'VE HAD ENOUGH, MARSHA! WAIT FOR ME AT HOME-- I'VE GOT TO APOLOGIZE FOR BOTH OF US!

BRIDES IN LOVE

I
DIDN'T
TRY
THE
TEARS
ROUTINE
AGAIN!
I HAD
SOME
THINK-
ING
TO
DO...



BEFORE YOU SAY ANYTHING -- AND NO MATTER WHAT YOU SAY, I'M GOING TO APOLOGIZE TO EVERYONE IN YOUR OFFICE BY LETTER.



AND... AND I'VE BEEN A SILLY GIRL! I'LL BE A WOMAN FROM NOW ON, BILL, THE WOMAN YOU THOUGHT YOU MARRIED!



I'VE MADE A FEW MISTAKES TOO, KITTEN! BUT I DIDN'T MAKE ONE WHEN I MARRIED YOU!



HE KISSED ME... AND THAT BEGAN OUR REAL MARRIED LIFE...



Always the gown ... but never the Alter

I WAS CONSIDERED THE BEST OF ALL HIGH-FASHION MODELS! ALL THE PHOTOGRAPHERS AND EXPENSIVE SALONS RAVED OVER THE PERFECTION OF MY CLASSIC FEATURES... THEY EVEN NICKNAMED ME THE GODDESS...



BUT I **WAS** FLESH AND BLOOD... AND I COULDN'T HELP REGRETTING THIS BEAUTY THAT OUTSIDE THE PROFESSION SPILLED ONLY TERRIBLE LONELINESS FOR ME...



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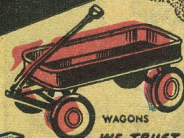


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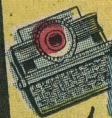
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AND SO MY LIFE WENT--ONE MODELLING ENGAGEMENT AFTER ANOTHER. OH, YES, I WENT ON DATES...

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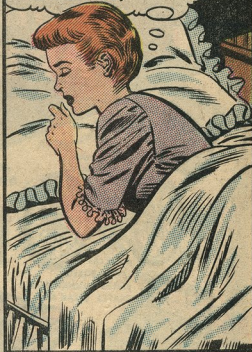


I WENT ON DATES... BUT THEY ALL ENDED THE SAME WAY...

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BUT THEN I MET JEFF MARLOW! HE WAS THE COMPTROLLER FOR ONE OF MY ACCOUNTS...



HI, HEADING FOR LUNCH? WHAT ABOUT LETTING ME TAG ALONG?

JEFF DATED ME, AND HE SEEMED DIFFERENT FROM ALL THE OTHERS! HE SEEMED TO BE PERFECTLY AT EASE WHEN WE WERE TOGETHER! AND THEN ONE NIGHT...



OH, JEFF... I LOVE YOU, JEFF!

BUT AFTER THE KISS...

I - I'M SORRY, CLARICE! I - I BETTER GO NOW!



BRIDES IN LOVE

THAT HAD BEEN A MONTH AGO ... AND I HADN'T SEEN JEFF SINCE! AND NOW I WAS ABOUT TO MODEL ANOTHER WEDDING GOWN WHILE MY HEART KEPT BREAKING BENEATH ALL THE SILK AND SATIN ...

THE CUSTOMER'S READY, CLARICE!



JEFF! HERE TO LOOK AT A WEDDING GOWN FOR ANOTHER GIRL!



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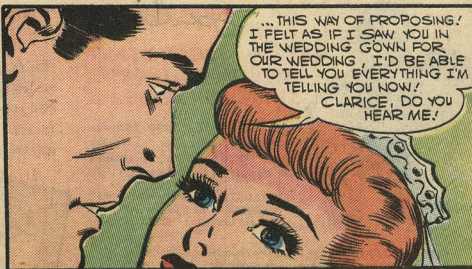
CLARICE-- LISTEN TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY! LISTEN HARD...



I LOVE YOU, CLARICE! BUT YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL, THAT KISSING YOU SORT OF KNOCKED THE BREATH OUT OF ME! I FELT SCARED... AS IF I NO RIGHT TO HOLD YOU IN MY ARMS! AND SINCE THEN I'VE TRIED TO STAY AWAY, BUT I COULDN'T! SO AT LAST I DREAMED UP...



...THIS WAY OF PROPOSING! I FELT AS IF I SAW YOU IN THE WEDDING GOWN FOR OUR WEDDING, I'D BE ABLE TO TELL YOU EVERYTHING I'M TELLING YOU NOW! CLARICE, DO YOU HEAR ME?



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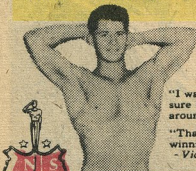
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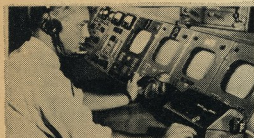
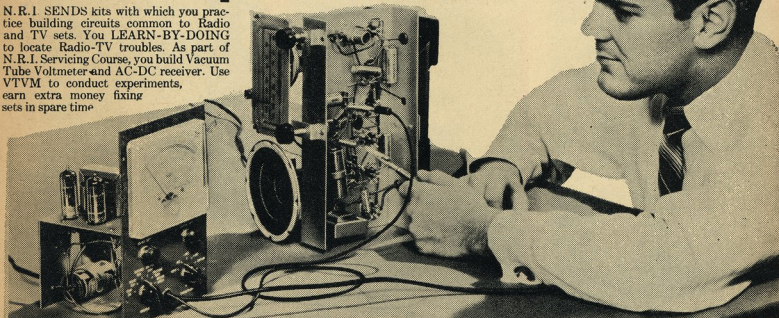
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